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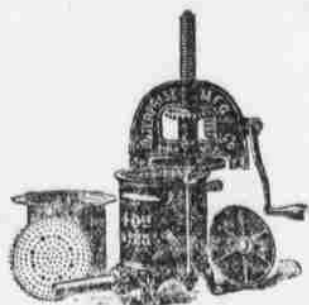
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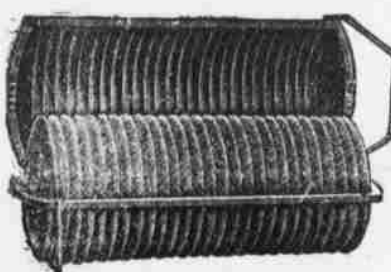
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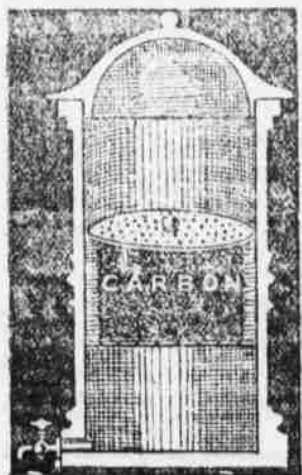
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A COUP IN OOKALA STOCK

PRICE BID JUMPS \$10 OVER SUNDAY.

Stockholders Give Plenary Power to the Directors—A Change of Agency is Rumored to be Imminent.

When 102½ was bid for Ookala stock on the Exchange, this morning, a jump of \$10 a share since Saturday, the inquiring ones pricked up their ears and the knowing ones smiled complacently.

It looked like some one wanted the stock pretty badly, and the query immediately arose, Is the Hawaiian Commercial coup in San Francisco to be repeated here in Ookala?

Inquiry failed to make it clear who was trying to get the stock or how much or for what purpose they wanted it. It soon became rumored on the street however that there was talk of a change of agency for the plantation. The talk now is that Brewer & Co. are to become the agents.

The capital stock of the company is \$500,000. Of this the Irwin & Co. own only about \$50,000, so that they do not have a controlling interest, and cannot hold the agency against a combination of the stockholders, which does own a controlling interest. A majority of the stock is owned by men who have been interested in the plantation since its first establishment. The plantation has never paid dividends. Its original capital was about \$200,000. It kept running behind until it was in debt something over \$250,000. To meet this reorganization was effected some months ago. The capital was increased to half a million and the new stock was floated at 50. It was determined to use fertilizers. Improvements were made in the mill and the general belief was that a pleasant dividend would be paid. There was a meeting of the stockholders last Saturday at which financial reports were presented which painted less encouraging prospects than had been entertained. More debt had accumulated. These produced a frame of mind among the stockholders which resulted in empowering the directors to take such action as they deemed best.

No formal action has yet been taken, so far as can be ascertained, but the impression prevails that a change of agency will be made.

THE NEW YORKERS.

It will be finally decided tomorrow what companies of the New York regiment will be dispatched by the Albatross on Wednesday. In all probability Companies C, E, F and G will go. There is some idea that the remaining troops can be gotten off on the Scandia, which is now overdue from Manila. However, that vessel is a hospital ship, and has sick men aboard, and it depends altogether upon their condition whether she can be used as a transport or not.

POLICE COURT.

Judge Wilcox this morning sentenced Won Man to one year on the reef for larceny in the second degree. Ah Mong was given ten days on a similar conviction.

Ah Yok, assisting a che fa bank, was fined \$20.

Gweiske, riding without lights, was fined \$5.

Wong Kum, Hum Sun, Ah Lum and Ah Nam were fined \$3 each on a gambling charge.

In the case of Ah Mung, bribery, sentence was suspended for six months.

Ah Poon was fined \$5 for violating lark regulations.

STOCK EXCHANGE.

Bids this morning were: Ewa 240, Hawaiian Sugar 150, Kahuku 110, Kipahulu 105, Oahu paid up 140, Ookala 102½, Government bonds 100, Oahu railway bonds 100.

Asking prices were: American Sugar 112½, Ewa 250, Hawaiian Sugar 155, Honokaa 170, Oahu assessable 70, Oahu paid up 147½, Ookala 110, Olowalu 120, Waimanalo 170.

BORN.

HOOGS.—In Honolulu, December 5, to the wife of William H. Hoogs, a daughter.

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PEACHBLOW VASE SECRET

HIDDEN HISTORY OF THE VERY FAMOUS PORCELAIN.

Mrs. Chamot Reveals the Story That Puzzled the Art Critics of the World for Years.

A few years ago art circles in the United States were in a furor of excitement over a wonderful Chinese vase which was on exhibition in a New York art dealer's establishment, and which Mrs. Paron Stevens, the arbiter of New York's Four Hundred and patron of art and culture, bought for \$15,000.

The newspapers took the subject up as a target for Philistine jokes at the expense of blind adoration of art when represented by the \$ mark, and the "Peachblow Vase" became as widely known and as much talked about as Messonier's painting "Friedland," for which the Stewart estate paid \$65,000, or Munkacsy's "Christ Before Pilate," for which John Wannamaker paid \$105,000, and then hippodromed it around the country like a Kickapoo Indian show, advertising his Philadelphia bargain counter store.

The history of the "Peachblow Vase" was never made public. The fact that Mrs. Paron Stevens paid \$15,000 for it was sufficient to stop all inquiries, and where the vase came from and the secret of its glorious color always remained in obscurity. On the steamship City of Pekin was a woman who knows the whole history of the vase. Mrs. Felix Chamot was formerly Miss McCarthy of San Francisco. With her mother she was traveling in China just at the outbreak of the Chinese-Japanese war. In Peking she met and married Felix Chamot, known throughout the world as one of the most sagacious collectors of Chinese curios and antiques, and one of the highest authorities on these subjects.

"It was my husband," said Mrs. Chamot, "who originally found the 'Peachblow Vase.' It is a rare species of pottery of which the art is all but lost. This particular specimen my husband judged was about 300 years old, antedating the Manchuk dynasty. He bought it at the sale of the effects of a Chinese mandarin of very ancient lineage, who had become reduced in circumstances. He paid \$300 for it, and sent it to New York, where the price fixed for it was \$1,500. Mrs. Paron Stevens saw it very soon after it was put on exhibition, and asked the price. The salesman made a mistake in noting the price and told her it was \$15,000. Without hesitation Mrs. Stevens took it at that price, and before the mistake was discovered the art journals and the newspapers were filled with stories of the wonderful 'Peachblow Vase' and the enormous price paid for it.

"Of course, after that the dealer could not make public the real facts, and the value of the vase was fixed. When Mrs. Stevens died the vase, among many other works of art belonging to her, were sold. The dealer in order to save appearances stood ready to purchase the vase at any price up to the one at which he originally sold it, and did purchase it for \$12,000. Since then he has sold it for a very much larger price than Mrs. Stevens paid."

Such is the secret history, now made public for the first time, of one of the most famous objects of art and adoration, that has filled the world with its fame in modern times.

PUBLIC CONCERT.

Professor Berger has arranged the following program for the concert to be given in Emma square this evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock:

PART I.
Overture—Poet and Peasant....Suppe
Chorus—Tannhauser.....Wagner
Grand Selection—Il Trovatore....Verdi
The Belle of Honolulu (new).....

.....Johnson

PART II.
Cornet Solo—Sea Flower.....Rollinson
Charles Kreuter.

Selection—A Runaway Girl.....
.....Caryl Monckton
Waltz—Lei Hima.....Fetras
March—Mount Shasta.....Eames
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SPECIAL MEETING.

Of ladies will take place at L. B. Kerr's store, Monday and Tuesday, where they can buy all dress goods at 10 per cent discount.

FRESH IMPORTS.

By the S. S. Australia, Camarinos received cherries, rhubarb, asparagus, celery, cauliflower, fresh salmon, crabs, flounders, oysters (in tins and shell), apples, grapes figs, lemons, Burbank potatoes, pure olive oil, dried fruit, new crop of nuts, raisins, etc. California Fruit Market, King Street.

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JAMES G. BLAINE'S JOKE

SETS THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT IN MOTION.

Says He Smuggled Cigars into San Francisco—The Department Thereupon Collects Duty from Him.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 17.—The customs department of this city is considerably stirred up by the scandal heaped upon it by Captain James G. Blaine, Jr. When the young man went back east, after having decorated this town a roseate hue, and adding a few shades of scarlet to the atmosphere of Honolulu, he had some good stories to tell the band of other hopefuls of which he is a member.

The choicest of his stock of tales was one to the effect that he had brought back from Manila 5,000 cigars and had landed them in San Francisco. When the customs inspectors attempted to search his baggage he told them who he was and they fell back awed.

The tale of the truthful James was looked upon as a good joke when it was heard out here. The Treasury Department, it appears, does not like jokes of this sort. In a very short time the machinery of the department was set in motion, and three inspectors have already been on the grill. There are ominous whisperings heard in the customs house and about the corridors of the appraisers' building.

Major Moore, special agent of the treasury, has begun an investigation, and nobody knows where it is going to end. The joke is no joke at all. Jimmy Blaine may be a joke, says the department, but his statement is another story.

Major Moore has conducted many investigations here, and he usually goes to the bottom of the matter. Just what he said to the inspectors, or what they replied to him is not yet known. The major is not taking the public into his confidence in these little matters, and the inspectors have been so paralyzed by the sudden turn of affairs that they are as dumb as the major.

All semblance of a joke disappeared yesterday morning when a dispatch, it was said, was received at the collector's office, saying that the duty on the cigars had been collected at Washington.

A fellow passenger of Blaine on the transport says that the young man had about 400 cigars. The Newport is now on her way to Manila, and it is thought that the investigation will go on until the vessel returns.

THANKSGIVING DINNER.

The Hospitable Board of Mr. and Mrs. August.

KEALAKEUA, Kona, December 1.—Thanksgiving's sun shone bright and clear on the Kona slopes of Mauna Loa, and the good American housewives, after enumerating the blessings of the past year, spread the cloth and prepared to welcome their many guests.

Among the pleasant social gatherings here on that day was the dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Louis August, at their beautiful home in Holoiaua. The parlors were tastefully decorated with cut flowers and potted plants, and the tani resembled a veritable bower, with its many colored festoons of flowers, radiating from the ceiling center to every available point on the walls.

At 5 p. m. the company were seated at a table under the mellow tints of Chinese lanterns, and before such delicacies as fitted the name Delmonico. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. S. August, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Scott, Miss Allen, Miss Lulu McWayne, Miss Bertha Guild, Miss E. Ellis, Miss Leonie Wills, W. A. Wall, R. Wallace, W. W. Bruner, A. Lindsay.

The evening closed with games.

CONSTANCE.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the officers of the Hawaiian Rifle Association will be held in the next few days to arrange a schedule for the citizen's matches on New Year's day. It is proposed to make this event the biggest ever attempted by the organization. There is now more substantial encouragement to the sporting feature of shooting, and the city never had as many good shots as at present. Prizes will be put up on all the classes to be arranged in the competition.

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LARGE ATTENDANCE AND LIBERAL BUYING.

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The luau and bazaar given Saturday on the St. Louis college grounds for the benefit of the Kalihl Waena Catholic church building fund, was a most successful affair. The attendance throughout the afternoon and evening was large. Great credit is due Mrs. Judge Wilcox, Mrs. Houghtaling and the other members of the committee having it in charge for their successful management.

The attendance began early, and it continued until the close. Especially late in the afternoon and in the evening there was evidence all over town that the affair was in progress in the lei bedecked people who could be seen in carriages. Nearly every one who attended came away with at least one lei.

The arrangement of the tables on which lunch was served, and of the booths from which fancy work, native curios, fans and the thousand other things of a church fair bazaar were sold, were very attractive. One feature of the attendance was the large number of strangers present. These bought very liberally.

The college band was in attendance throughout the afternoon and evening. A feature of the evening which was much enjoyed and appreciated was the singing by the brothers in charge of the college. They sang a number of songs.

LOADING SUGAR.

The schooner Robert Lewers is loading sugar from the W. G. Hall, and the S. N. Castle is loading from the Noeau.

VISITORS.

Sam Parker of Hawaii and Colonel V. H. Cornwall of Maui are in town.

IN TROUBLE.

A newspaper man at Camp McKinley has incurred the displeasure of the military powers that be, and may be court-martialed for writing up camp conditions in the Brooklyn Eagle.

AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Secretary Coleman is ill today with a touch of grippe. Assistant Secretary Brock is suffering with a sprained ankle. Therefore, altogether, the working force of the Y. M. C. A. is in rather bad shape.

The Needham revival meetings, to be held in the lecture room each evening of this week, will take the place of all other arrangements save the regular educational studies.

NEEDHAM MEETINGS.

Noted Evangelist to Talk to the Public Every Evening.

Gov. George C. Needham, the evangelist, will hold meetings in the Y. M. C. A. hall at 7:30 each evening of this week. The public is invited.

Mr. Needham and wife arrived by the Peking yesterday from the Orient and are quartered at the residence of W. C. Weedon, in Punahou. The reverend gentleman spoke at Oahu jail yesterday morning, and at the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon, and at Central Union church in the evening.

MUSIC AND TEARS.

Professor F. W. Jacobs, the vocal teacher, moved the audience at the Christian church yesterday morning more deeply than he knew. During the service he was called upon for a solo. The man is blind. Being assisted to the organ he touched the keys, and began the fine notes of the old hymn, "Close to Thee." Church singing is the professor's specialty. Into this song he threw his whole soul, and before he had finished many ladies and others in the audience were in tears. The incident was quite out of the ordinary in any of the city's church.

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HERO OF THE MANILA BATTLE A THROUGH PASSENGER.

Tells of Dewey's Victory—Praise for the Admiral—Sailors are Good Expansionists.

Captain Frank Wildes, lately commander of the U. S. S. Boston, was a through passenger by the City of Peking yesterday for the States. He is from the capital of China, at the seaport of which, Tientsin, his vessel has been for some time lying. It was there that Captain Wildes turned the Boston over to his successor, Captain Wilde, a name similar though connected in no way. The commander has served three years at sea and returns now to land for the same period. Most of yesterday was spent by him in renewing old friendships and visiting sights. Captain Wildes was here in the Boston when that vessel went through to the Orient and is well known.

"Yes, we did have a little brush with the Spanish fleet on May 1st, last," said Captain Wildes, who is, by the way, a trifle modest. "Once in Manila bay I knew the victory must be ours. I knew what our ships were, and I knew about what theirs were. Our men I knew. The Boston and either one of the others once inside, with the gunners we had, could have done the business. Through all, and over all, however, the credit of the day must go to Admiral Dewey, who planned the great battle and carried it out. He led; the other ships followed. Our country can never give to Admiral Dewey more praise and more honor than he deserves."

Of the future of the Philippines, Commander Wildes would not speak for publication. He gave it out, however, as the impression and desire of the Dewey fleet generally that not a foot of the islands be given up. He considers the fall of Manila the surrender of the group, for with the capital in the hands of the Americans there could have been no formidable resistance elsewhere. The commander believes the conquest to have been complete.

As to the part played by the insurgents and their present position the commander also declined to speak. He let out as much, however, as said that he does not consider Aguinaldo a friendly and does not believe an amicable settlement with him will be difficult, if the United States decides to hold the group.

GOING TO EWA.

George F. Rendon, the new manager of Ewa plantation, accompanied by his wife and four children, arrived yesterday from Kohala. He will go tomorrow to his new field. E. E. Olding has already taken charge as manager at Kohala.

COPTIC SIGHTED.

The Coptic was sighted off Waimanalo at 1:30 o'clock.

GARONNE ARRIVES.

The Hawaii brings news that the steamship Garonne arrived at Hilo on Saturday, from Seattle, with 155 passengers.

COMING WEDDING.

Deputy Marshal Charles Chillingworth and Miss Anna V. Stratmeyer will be married on the evening of December 24th, Christmas eve, at 8 o'clock. The wedding will be a private family affair.

ANOTHER SOLDIER DEATH.

Private John V. Springsteen, Company G, First New York, died at the Military hospital this morning of pneumonia. He had been sick but a short time. The funeral will take place from E. A. Williams' undertaking parlors tomorrow morning, perhaps at 10 o'clock.

FORMAL INSTALLATION.

Rev. Wm. M. Kincaid will be formally installed next Monday morning as pastor of Central Union church, Revs. Gulick, Bishop, Leedingham, Parker, Timotea and Cruzan will assist in the ceremonies, which will be after the regular order prescribed by church rules.

EXPANSION OF GUNPOWDER.

It has been calculated that ordinary gunpowder on exploding, expands 9000 times, or fills a space this much larger as a gas than when in a solid form.

ART STATUARY.

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BUSINESS MEN'S MEMO.

Monday, December 5, 1898. Adjourned annual meeting Ookala Sugar Plantation Company, Tuesday, December 6th, at 10 o'clock a. m.